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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
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Essential Air Service at

**ALAMOGORDO/HOLLOMAN AIR  
FORCE BASE, NEW MEXICO**

under 49 U.S.C. 41731 *et seq.*

**Docket OST-1996-1901**

**Notice of Extension**

This serves as notice to the public of the action described below, taken by the Department official indicated. (No additional confirming order will be issued in this matter.)

By Order 2004-6-23, served June 30, 2004, the Department requested proposals on an emergency basis from air carriers interested in providing essential air service at Alamogordo/Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico. Four air carriers submitted a total of nine proposal options in response to this order. By letter dated July 26, 2004, we requested comments on the air carrier selection from the Mayor of Alamogordo, the Base Commander of Holloman Air Force Base, the Airport Manager of White Sands Regional Airport, and the Director of the New Mexico Department of Transportation, Aviation Division. We requested that these comments be submitted by August 13, 2004.

We have received a request dated August 4, 2004, from the Mayor of Alamogordo, requesting an extension until September 17, 2004, for submitting the civic parties' comments. In support of his request, the Mayor states that questions have arisen that have required additional research by the City of Alamogordo.

We will grant this request, and in so doing, will grant all of the civic parties until September 17, 2004, to submit their comments on the service proposals for Alamogordo/Holloman Air Force Base.

This action is effective immediately.

Action taken by: Dennis DeVany, Chief  
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